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PSC SETS HEARING SCHEDULE IN OSAGE WATER COMPANY RATE REQUEST

Jefferson City (July 9, 2003)---The Osage Water Company has filed rate requests with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking to increase annual revenues for its water and sewer operations.

Applications to intervene and participate in these rate requests must be filed on or before **July 22**, **2003**, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Gregory D. Williams, Attorney for Osage Water Company, P.O. Box 431, Sunrise Beach, Missouri 65079; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. The Office of the Public Counsel is a separate state agency which represents the general public in matters before the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Hearings in these cases are scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. on January 20, 2004, in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. Hearings will continue through January 30, 2004, if necessary. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. If you need additional accommodations to participate in the hearings, please call the Public Service Commission's hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or 1-800-829-7541 (TDD) prior to the hearings.

A residential customer using 4,000 gallons of water a month currently pays \$24.10 a month for that amount of water. Under the rate filing, the Osage Water Company is seeking to increase that to \$28.19 a month for 4,000 gallons of water. A residential sewer customer currently pays \$26.03 a month for sewer service. That would increase to \$32.54 a month under the Company's proposal.

The Osage Water Company serves approximately 300 water customers and 250 sewer customers in Camden County.